CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION 1685 E Street, Fresno, CA 93706

PUBLIC NOTICE

concerning

INTENT TO ISSUE A TIME SCHEDULE ORDER
REQUIRING THE PLANADA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY
MERCED COUNTY
TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN ORDER NO. R5-2005-0009
(NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0078950)

The Planada Community Services District (hereafter District) owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) that discharges 530,000 gallons per day of secondary effluent to Miles Creek, a water of the United States. The discharge is regulated by Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) Order No. R5-2005-0009, which includes interim and final effluent limits for California Toxic Rule constituents and conventional pollutants and compliance schedules that require compliance with the final limits or implementation of an alternative discharge method by 26 January 2010. The District plans to comply with the Order by ceasing its discharge to Miles Creek and recycling its effluent on non-human consumption crops. The District has made progress towards completing the compliance project. However, the District has encountered significant project delays and cannot comply with the final effluent limits in WDRs Order No. R5-2005-0009 by January 2010.

The Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (Central Valley Water Board), proposes to issue a Time Schedule Order (TSO) including a compliance schedule requiring the District to complete its project by September 2012. The TSO will include interim limits for California Toxic Rule constituents and conventional pollutants.

Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit such comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board, Fresno Office no later than **1 February 2010**. Written materials submitted after **1 February 2010** will not be accepted. The Executive Officer will issue the TSO after the close of the comment period, after considering any timely public comments.

Anyone having questions on the proposed TSO should contact Matt Scroggins at (559) 445-6042. The TSO can be obtained from the Central Valley Water Board's web site at www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/tentative_orders/index.shtml#other. This and other related documents may also be inspected and copied at the Central Valley Water Board's office at 1685 E Street, Fresno, California, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. by appointment (except for the first, second, and third Friday of every month per the Governor's Executive Order S-13-09 calling for furloughs).

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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LONNIE M. WASS, Supervising Engineer